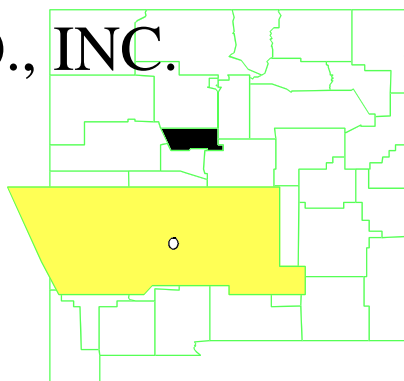


RINCHEM CO., INC.

NEW MEXICO

EPA ID# NMD085267961



EPA REGION 6
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 01

Bernalillo County
Albuquerque

Updated: 10/28/02

Please Note: This Site has been de-proposed from the NPL. No further updates of this fact sheet are planned.

Site Description

- Location: ! 5001 Edith Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- Population: ! Albuquerque, 440,000.
- Setting: ! Nearest private well is 0.2 miles from the site. The area is predominantly industrial, with some residential properties.
- Hydrology: ! The site is underlaid by alluvium of the Valley Fill Group, which is underlaid by the Santa Fe Group. These units comprise the Albuquerque Basin aquifer, an important source of drinking water.

Present Status and Issues

- ! No future remedial activities are planned for the Site.

Wastes and Volumes

- ! The principal pollutants include industrial solvents(dichloro & trichloroethylene, dichloro &/ trichloroethane), acetone, methylisobutylketone (MIBK).

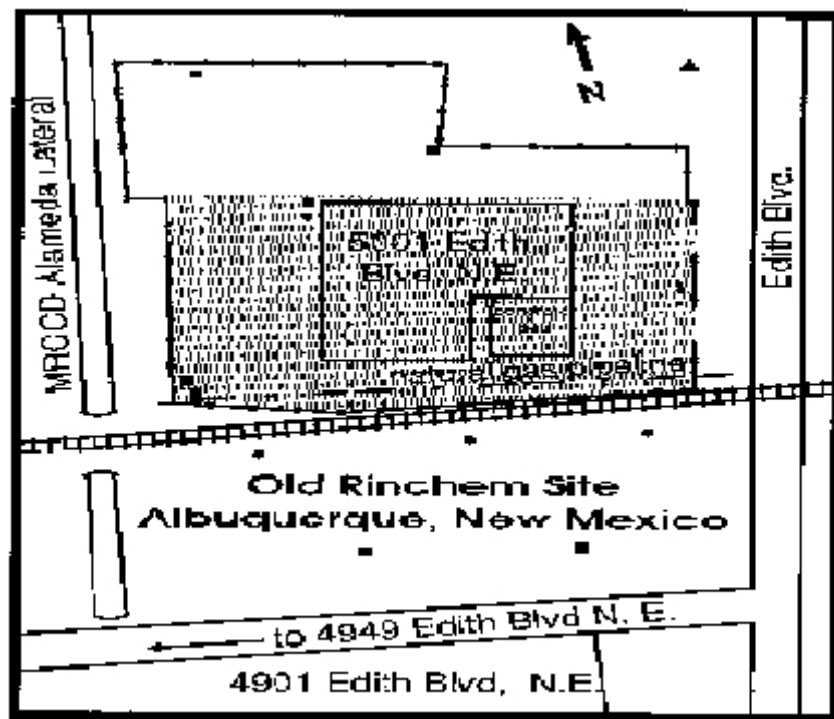
Site Assessment and Ranking

NPL LISTING HISTORY

Site HRS Score: 41.20
Proposed Date: 10/14/92
Final Date:
NPL Update: No.

Comments: Rinchem, Inc. stated that consideration of MIBK in the Hazard Ranking System process (from the 1984 report) was improper, since MIBK was not found in either the 1988 soil or water samples, or in the 1992 water samples taken at the site by Rinchem.

Site Map and Diagram



The Remediation Process

Site History:

! Rinchem transported hazardous waste from a waste generator's location to its facility, repackaging the waste or storing it until a large quantity was accumulated. Rinchem then transported the waste back to its generator or to a disposal facility.

! Ground water sampling in November 1994, March 1995, and June 1995 indicated only one upgradient/cross gradient well to be contaminated above the drinking water standard. The remainder of the 11 monitor wells were below detection limit of 5 parts per billion for trichloroethylene.

! EPA evaluated the remedial investigation and proposed no further action for the Site. The EPA Record of Decision was signed on September 30, 1998. EPA determined that no further action was warranted at the site under the Federal Superfund program. This Site was de-proposed from the NPL in January 1999. A five-year review will not be required at the Site.

Record of Decision

September 30, 1998

! Because concentrations of solvents in the ground water at the site did not exceed the Federal drinking water standards, EPA wrote a Record of Decision indicated that no action was justified under the Superfund statute.

Community Involvement

- ! Community Interviews: (and availability sessions) 01/93; 9/9 - 9/11/94
- ! Follow up letters mailed to community interview participants
- ! Constituency Interest: Community members strongly opposed to site being listed on the NPL
- ! Open house - August 21, 1997: Proposed plan of no further action.
- ! EPA determined "no further action" is required at this site. Notification and proposed plan of action starts 8/97
- ! Facts Sheet: 8/97

Technical Assistance Grant

- ! Availability Notice: 1993
- ! Letters of Intent Received: None
- ! Grant Award: None

Contacts

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- ! **State Coordinator (EPA):** Kathy Ketcher, 214/665-7196, Mail Sta. 6SF-LT
- ! **Ombudsman (EPA):** Arnold Ondarza, 1-800-533-3508
- ! **Prime Contractor:** None

Benefits

- ! The contaminated area is estimated to be small. EPA has evaluated risk at the site with surface samples provided by Rinchem.
- ! The site was redeveloped for industrial use prior to initiation of EPA investigations.